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Reports on the meetings of the Working Group on Trafficking in Persons held in Vienna from 6 to 8 September 2017 and on 2 and 3 July 2018

Note by the Secretariat

1. In its decision 4/4, the Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime acknowledged that the Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention on Transnational Organized Crime, was the principal legally binding global instrument to combat trafficking in persons. In that decision, the Conference decided to establish an open-ended interim working group on trafficking in persons.

2. In its resolution 7/1 on strengthening the implementation of the Organized Crime Convention and the Protocols thereto, the Conference decided, inter alia, that the Working Group on Trafficking in Persons would be a constant element of the Conference, forwarding its reports and recommendations to the Conference.

3. The Working Group on Trafficking in Persons held its seventh meeting from 6 to 8 September 2017 and its eighth meeting on 2 and 3 July 2018. In accordance with resolution 7/1, the reports on those meetings (CTOC/COP/WG.4/2017/4 and CTOC/COP/WG.4/2018/3) will be made available to the Conference at its ninth session.

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